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Applicants: Thomas P. Hager and Richard N. Lehman
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For: COMPACT HYBRID FIBER REINFORCED RODS FOR
OPTICAL CABLE REINFORCEMENTS AND
METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 25, 2004

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 15, 2005, Applicants submit this supplemental response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004 including the correction identified in the Notice. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicated that the words "Previously Amended" does not constitute a proper state identifier. Such wording has been removed from the response. Otherwise, the response is identical to that submitted on February 22, 2005.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to Claims 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)

Applicants respectfully request amendment of claims 1-6 and claims 23-28, and cancellation of claim 29, as provided below. In addition, Applicants respectfully request addition of new claims 30-32 to the present application, as provided below.